

GAME ZONE 6

Calhoun, Orangeburg, Berkeley, Dorchester & Charleston counties

Please refer to the regulations and laws for hunting private lands and Wildlife Management Areas on pages 29-39 before you hunt.

SCDNR offices

• Wildlife Management Offices, 305 Black Oak Rd, Bonneau 843-825-3387; 585 Donnelley Dr., Hwy 17, Green Pond, (843) 844-8957; 1000 Assembly St., Columbia (803) 734-3940

• Law Enforcement Offices, 1000 Assembly St, Columbia 803-734-4303, 217 Ft. Johnson Rd, Charleston 843-953-9307

WMA regulations apply to public lands in Game Zone 6. WMAs have special seasons or restrictions, see the end of the hunt seasons section.

Deer

- Sunday hunting for deer is allowed on private lands in Game Zone 6 but prohibited on all WMAs.
- Antlerless deer tags are valid on private land starting Sept. 15. Individual tags are not valid on properties which are enrolled in the Antlerless Deer Quota Program. Tags do not alter the daily or season bag limits.

Youth Deer Hunt Day Jan. 7

Limit: 2 deer/either sex

See page 57 for WMA's.

Deer: Archery & Gun Hunts on Private Land

Limit: No limit on bucks; 2 antlerless deer per day on either sex days.

buck only Aug. 15-Jan. 2

either sex Oct. 8, 14-15, 21-22, 28-29, Nov. 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, Dec. 17, 24, 31, Jan. 2.

Special Area: Francis Marion Hunt Unit, Berkeley & Charleston counties

Tibwin special use area (in Wambaw) is closed to hunting except for special hunts.

- During still gun hunts for deer, there shall be no hunting or shooting from, on, or across any road open to vehicle traffic.
- No buckshot is allowed on still gun hunts.
- Shotguns and buckshot only during dog drive hunts.
- On either-sex deer hunts with dogs, all deer must be checked in by 1 hour after legal sunset.
- Hogs may only be taken during deer hunts and special hog hunts.
- No more than 8 deer total may be taken during gun hunts.

Archery: Francis Marion Hunt Unit-Hellhole WMA only

Limit: 2 deer per day, hogs-no limit

either sex Sept. 15 - Oct. 8, Nov. 28-Dec. 10

Still Gun Hunts: Francis Marion Hunt Unit-Hellhole WMA only

Limit: 2 deer per day, hogs-no limit

either sex Oct. 10-15, Oct. 31-Nov. 5,
(no dogs) Nov. 21-26, Dec. 12-17

Dog Drive Hunt: Francis Marion Hunt Unit-Hellhole WMA only

Limit: 2 deer total

either sex Dec. 22

- No still hunting and no rifles.
- All deer must be checked at Hellhole check station.

Dog Drive Hunt: Francis Marion Hunt Unit-Northampton WMA only

Limit: 2 bucks per day; 2 deer per day

on either sex days, hogs-no limit
buck only Sept. 9-10, 30-Oct. 1, Oct. 21-22,
Nov. 11-12, Dec. 2-3, 23-24

either sex Oct. 1, Nov. 12

Still Gun Hunts: Francis Marion Hunt Unit-Northampton WMA only

Limit: 2 bucks per day, hogs-no limit

buck only Sept. 1-Jan. 2

(except during scheduled dog drive hunts)

Dog Drive Hunt: Francis Marion Hunt Unit-Santee WMA only

Limit: 2 bucks per day; 2 deer per day
on either sex days, hogs-no limit

buck only Sept. 16-17, Oct. 7-8, 28-29,
Nov. 18-19, Dec. 9-10; Dec. 30-31

either sex Oct. 1, Nov. 12

Still Gun Hunts: Francis Marion Hunt Unit-Santee WMA only

Limit: 2 bucks per day, hogs-no limit

buck only Sept. 1-Jan. 2

(except during scheduled dog drive hunts)

Archery: Francis Marion Hunt Unit-Wambaw WMA only

Seewee special use area (no dogs)

Limit: 2 bucks per day; 2 deer per day
on either sex days

buck only Sept. 1 - Sept. 14

either-sex Sept. 15-Jan. 2

Dog Drive Hunt: Francis Marion Hunt Unit-Wambaw WMA only

Limit: 2 bucks per day; 2 deer per day
on either sex days, hogs-no limit

buck only Aug. 19-20, Sept. 2-3 23-24,
Oct. 14-15, Nov. 4-5, Nov. 25-26, Dec. 16-17

either sex Oct. 1, Nov. 12

- Still gun hunts only east of Hwy. 17. Rifles allowed.

Still Gun Hunts: Francis Marion Hunt Unit-Wambaw WMA only

Limit: 2 bucks per day, hogs-no limit

buck only Sept. 1-Jan. 2

(except during scheduled dog drive hunts)

- Rifles are allowed on still gun hunts.

Archery: Francis Marion Hunt Unit-Waterhorn WMA only

Limit: 2 deer/day, hogs-no limit

either sex Oct. 1-8

Archery & Muzzleloader: Francis Marion Hunt Unit-Waterhorn WMA only

Limit: 2 deer per day, hogs-no limit

either sex Oct. 24-Nov. 5

Still Gun Hunts: Francis Marion Hunt Unit-Waterhorn WMA only

Limit: 2 bucks per day; 2 deer per day
on either sex days, hogs-no limit

buck only Aug. 19-20, Sept. 2-3,
Sept. 12-17, Nov. 14-19

either sex Dec. 5-10, Dec. 26-31

- During deer hunts, entrance gates will be closed except Elmwood Wildlife Station off Hwy 17 and Mill Branch Rd. off Hwy 45.

Hog Hunts: Francis Marion Hunt Unit-Waterhorn WMA only

Saturdays only in Feb.

No limit

- No more than 4 bay or catch dogs per party. No still or stalk hunting permitted. 1 shotgun per party (buckshot only). Sidearms permitted. Hog hunters must have a hunting license, WMA permit, and are required to wear international orange color while hunting. Hogs may not be transported alive. Hogs taken must be brought to the check station and a data card completed.
- Hog hunters must sign a register at Elmwood Check Station upon entering and leaving Waterhorn WMA.

Special Area: Hatchery WMA Berkeley Co.

Archery: Hatchery WMA

Limit: 2 deer per day (8 deer total)

buck only Sept. 1-14

either sex Sept. 15-Nov. 12

- Hatchery is closed to fishing each Saturday morning during waterfowl season and all day the last Saturday of waterfowl season.

Special Area: Bonneau Ferry WMA Berkeley Co.

- Adult/Youth side open only to youth 8-17 years old who must be accompanied by only one adult 21 years of age or older. Youth hunters must carry a firearm and hunt. Adults with youth hunters may also carry a firearm and hunt. Includes all big game and small game hunts.
- All hunters must sign in and sign out upon entering and leaving any hunt on Bonneau Ferry WMA.

- Hunting access by boat is prohibited.

- Hogs (no limit) may be harvested during any scheduled deer hunt.

Archery: Bonneau Ferry WMA (Area A)

Limit: 2 deer per day

buck only Sept. 5-10

either sex Sept. 19-24

Still Gun Hunts Bonneau Ferry (Area A)

- No open season except for hunters selected by computer drawing. (Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 6-8, 13-15, 20-22, 27-29, Nov. 3-5)

Still Gun Hunts: Bonneau Ferry WMA Adult/Youth Only (Area B)

Limit: 2 deer per day: 8 total either sex
except only 2 antlered bucks per season.

either sex Sept. 15-Jan. 2 (Wed., Fri., Sat. only) and Nov. 21-26, Dec. 20-Jan 2

Special Area: Santee Coastal WMA Charleston Co.

Archery: Santee Coastal WMA

Limit: 2 deer per day

Hogs-no limit.

either sex Nov. 7-12, 21-26

- Hunting is allowed on the mainland only at Santee Coastal WMA.

Archery & Muzzleloader: Santee Coastal WMA

Limit: 2 deer per day
either sex Dec. 1-3

- No possession of handguns or sidearms during archery only hunts.

Hog Hunts with dogs: Santee Coastal Reserve

- Feb. 2-3. No limit, hand guns only, no more than 4 bay or catch dogs per party. Hogs may not be taken from Santee Coastal Reserve alive. All hogs must be checked at check station. Hog hunters must wear international orange.

Special Area: Dungannon Heritage Preserve WMA Charleston Co.

Archery: Dungannon WMA (no dogs)

either sex Oct. 15-Dec. 1 2 deer per day

Special Area: Moultrie Hunt Unit Berkeley Co.

- Hunters may not take more than 8 deer total from Moultrie Hunt Unit during gun hunts.

Gun Hunts: North Dike WMA

(no buckshot/no dogs)

Limit: 2 deer per day
buck only Aug. 19-Sept. 30
either sex Oct. 1-29

- Individual antlerless tags: valid on days not designated as either sex after Sept. 15.

Archery: Hall WMA *except* Cross Station

Special Use Area (no dogs)

buck only Sept. 1-14 2 bucks per day
either sex Sept. 15-Jan. 2 2 deer per day

Gun Hunts: Greenfield WMA (no buckshot)

buck only Nov. 1-Jan. 2 2 per day
either sex Nov. 3-5, Dec. 26-Jan. 2 2 per day

Gun Hunts: Bluefield WMA (no buckshot)

buck only Aug. 17-Sept. 14 2 deer per day
(Wed. & Sat. only)

either sex Sept. 15-Jan. 2 2 deer per day
(Wed. & Sat. only)

- Open only to youth 17 years of age or younger accompanied by an adult at least 21 years of age. Youth hunters and adults must carry a firearm and hunt.

Archery: Porcher WMA (no dogs)

buck only Sept. 1-14 2 deer per day
either sex Sept. 15-Jan. 2 2 deer per day

Cross Station - Designated youth and women draw deer hunts only.

Special Area: Santee Cooper WMA Orangeburg Co.

- Quality Deer Management Area - bucks must have 4 or more points on one side or be spikes with 2 points (see Regulation 4.1). No scouting Oct. 20-Nov. 1. Area is open for camping at 5 p.m. Oct. 31. Total 8 deer per season.

Archery: Santee Cooper WMA

either sex Oct. 3-15 4 deer total
Nov. 7-12 4 deer total

Muzzleloader: Santee Cooper WMA

either sex Oct. 10-15, 4 deer total
Nov. 7-12 4 deer total

Gun Hunts: Santee Cooper WMA

- Gun Hunts by drawing only. See Wildlife Management Area Hunt Drawings, page 32.

Special Area: Edisto River WMA Dorchester Co.

- Hunters may not take more than 8 deer total from Edisto River WMA for the season.

Archery: Edisto River WMA

either sex Sept. 15-30 1 deer/day;
hogs no limit

Muzzleloader: Edisto River WMA

either sex Oct. 3-15 1 deer/day;
hogs no limit

Still Gun Hunts: Edisto River WMA

buck only Oct. 17- Nov. 19 1 deer/day;
hogs no limit

either sex Nov. 4-5, 1 deer/day;
Nov. 11-12 hogs no limit
Nov. 18-19

Small Game

- Small Game seasons on WMAs are the same as those listed below except dog running seasons for rabbit, raccoon, opossum and fox. No small game hunting on WMAs is allowed before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1. Additional small game season restrictions may apply to specific WMAs listed in this section.

Dove:

Sept. 3-5 (afternoons only) 12 per day
Sept. 6-Oct. 8, Nov. 19-26, Dec. 21-Jan. 15

Quail:

Nov. 21-Mar. 1 (WMA)
Nov. 21-Mar. 4 (private) 15 per day

Squirrel: Mar. 2-Sept. 30 dogs only (priv. land)

Oct. 1-Mar. 1 guns & dogs 10 per day

Rabbit:

Private and WMA Nov. 24, 2005-Mar. 1, 2006
guns & dogs 5 per day

Private land only Mar. 2, 2006-Nov. 22, 2006

Running season-dogs, no guns

WMA land Sept. 1-Sept. 30

Running season-dogs, no guns

Raccoon & Opossum:

Private land
Sept. 15-Mar. 15 guns & dogs No limit

WMA land
Sept. 15-Mar. 1 guns & dogs No limit

Private land only
Mar. 16-Sept 14 Running season-dogs, no
guns

WMA land
Sept. 1-Sept 14 Running season-dogs, no guns

Fox: Private land only
Aug. 16-Jan. 1 guns & dogs No limit

WMA only
Sept. 1-Jan. 1 guns & dogs No limit

Private land only
Jan. 2-Aug. 15 Running season-dogs, no guns

WMA land
Jan. 2-Mar. 1 Running season-dogs, no guns

Bobcat, Mink, Muskrat, Skunk, Otter, Weasel:

Nov. 24-Mar. 1 No limit

Beaver: Private land no closed season
WMA land Sept. 1-Mar. 1

Crow: Nov. 1-Mar. 1 No limit

Special Area: Bonneau Ferry WMA Berkeley Co.

Small Game: Bonneau Ferry WMA

- See Adult/youth restrictions on page 45

Quail (Area A) No open season except
hunters selected by computer drawing (Feb. 4, 18)

Quail (Area B) Feb 4, 18 Limit 8 quail
Adult/youth only per party

Other Small Game

Area A & Area B (Adult/youth)

Jan. 3-Mar. 1 Regular Game Zone 6 limits
Except closed during quail hunts (Feb 4, 18)

Raccoons and Opossum

Area A & Area B (Adult/youth)

Jan. 3-Feb. 28 Regular Game Zone 6 limits
Tue. & Sat. nights only

Special Area: Francis Marion Hunt Unit, Berkeley & Charleston counties

Small Game: Francis Marion Hunt Unit

- Game Zone 6 seasons **except** quail limit 8/day and no hunting before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1.

- Dogs are allowed during small game gun season only.

- Closed during scheduled deer and hog hunting periods on Waterhorn and Hellhole and when dogs are used on Wambaw, Northampton and Santee WMAs.

- No fox hunting is allowed in the Francis Marion Hunt Unit.

Special Area: Moultrie Hunt Unit Berkeley Co.

(No open season on fox squirrels. Quail/8 per day)

Small Game: Porcher WMA

Jan. 3 - March 1.

Greenfield WMA

Sept. 1 - March 1.

Bluefield WMA - (Adult/Youth Area only)

Jan. 3 - March 1

- Open only to youth 17 years of age or younger who must be accompanied by an adult at least 21 years of age. Youth hunters and adults must carry a firearm and hunt.

- No small game hunting during scheduled deer hunts.

Small Game: North Dike WMA

- Small Game seasons and limits on WMAs are the same as Game Zone 6 **except** quail 8/day. No hunting before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1.

- Closed to small game hunting Wed. and Fri. during Nov.-Dec. Sandy Beach Waterfowl Area open for Raccoon hunting Feb. 1-March 1.

Small Game: Hall WMA

- Closed to small game hunting.

Special Area: Santee Cooper WMA Orangeburg Co.

Dove: Santee Cooper WMA

- Designated fields on certain days. See Public Dove Fields List available in August.

Small Game other than Dove: Santee Cooper WMA

Jan. 30-Mar. 1 Game Zone 6 limits
Quail 8/day (*East of Ferguson Landing Road only*); except raccoon each Sat. on entire area

Special Area: Canal WMA Berkeley Co.

Dove: Canal WMA

- Designated fields on certain days. See Public Dove Fields List available in August.

Quail only: Canal WMA

Nov. 23, Dec. 7, 21, Limit 8/day
Jan. 4, 18, Feb. 1, 15

- Quail hunters must pick up and return data cards at access points. Shotguns must be plugged so as not to hold more than 3 shells.

Special Area: Edisto River WMA Dorchester Co.

Small Game: Edisto River WMA

- Nov. 21 - Mar. 1 except rabbit season begins Nov. 24. Game zone 6 bag limits except quail - 8 per day.

Special Area: Santee Coastal Reserve WMA Charleston Co.

Quail: Santee Coastal Reserve WMA

Jan. 25-Mar. 1 Limit 8 /day
(Wed. & Sat. only)

Other Small Game except Fox Squirrels: Santee Coastal Reserve WMA

- Jan. 25-Mar. 1 Regular Zone 6 limits
(Wed. & Sat. only)
- Fox squirrels may not be hunted.

Raccoons & Opossums: Santee Coastal Reserve WMA

Jan. 24-Feb. 28 Regular Zone 6 limits
(Tues. & Fri. nights only)

GAME ZONE 7

Dillon & Horry counties

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SCDNR offices:

- Wildlife Management Offices, 2007 Pisgah Rd. Florence (843) 661-4768; 420 Dirleton Rd., Georgetown, (843) 546-3226
- Law Enforcement Office, 2007 Pisgah Rd, Florence 843-661-4766

WMA regulations apply to public lands in Game Zone 7. Some WMAs have special seasons or restrictions, and are listed at the end of the hunt seasons section.

Deer

- Sunday hunting for deer is allowed on private lands in Game Zone 7 but prohibited on all WMAs.
- Antlerless deer tags are valid on private land starting Sept. 15. Individual tags are not valid on properties which are enrolled in the Antlerless Deer Quota Program. Tags do not alter the daily or season bag limits.
- During gun hunts on WMA lands, there shall be no hunting or shooting deer from, on, or across any road open to vehicle traffic.
- Limits listed are a combined total per person for both private & WMA lands.

- No more than 5 bucks total may be taken by an individual on private and public lands during all seasons, regardless of method (archery, muzzleloader, or gun).

Youth Deer Hunt Day Jan. 7

Limit: 2 deer/each sex

See page 57 for WMA's.

Deer: Archery on Private Land

Limit: 5 bucks total, 2 deer per day
on either sex days

buck only Sept. 1-Jan. 2

either sex Oct. 8, 14-15, 21-22,
Nov. 18-19

- Archery allowed during all hunt periods (archery, or gun hunts).

Deer: Gun Hunts on Private Land

Limit: 5 bucks total, 2 deer per day
on either sex days

buck only Sept. 15 - Jan. 2

either sex Oct. 8, 14-15, 21-22,
Nov. 18-19

Special Area: Cartwheel Bay Heritage Preserve WMA Horry Co.

- Hunters may not take more than 3 deer total from Cartwheel Bay HP WMA.

Archery: Cartwheel Bay HP WMA

buck only Sept. 15-Oct. 1 1 deer per day

either sex Oct. 10-Nov. 5 1 deer per day

Special Area: Lewis Ocean Bay Heritage Preserve WMA Horry Co.

- Hunters may not take more than 5 deer total from Lewis Ocean Bay HP WMA.

- No hunting or shooting from or on any roads open to vehicular traffic.

- Horseback riding is prohibited during all deer hunts.

- No buckshot or dogs allowed.

Archery: Lewis Ocean Bay Heritage Preserve WMA

either sex Sept. 19-24 1 deer per day
Oct. 3-22

Archery & Muzzleloader: Lewis Ocean Bay Heritage Preserve WMA

either sex Oct. 24-29, 1 deer per day
Nov. 14-19

Gun Hunts: Lewis Ocean Bay Heritage Preserve WMA

buck only Nov. 28-Dec. 3 1 buck per day
Dec. 12-17

Special Area: Little Pee Dee Heritage Preserve (HP) River Complex Horry & Marion counties

Includes Little Pee Dee River HP, Tilghman HP, Dargan HP and Ward HP, also Upper Gunters Island and Huggins tracts in Horry Co. which are part of Dargan HP.

- Hunters may not take more than 3 deer total from Little Pee Dee River Complex.

- No buckshot or dogs allowed.

- Wild hogs may only be taken during deer hunts and designated hog hunts, catch or bay dogs, buckshot and rimfire firearms are prohibited. No limit on hogs.

Archery: Little Pee Dee River Complex

buck only Sept. 15-24 1 buck per day

either sex Oct. 1-15 1 deer per day

Archery & Muzzleloader: Little Pee Dee River Complex

buck only Oct. 24- 29 1 buck per day

either sex Nov. 7-12 1 deer per day

Gun Hunts: Little Pee Dee River Complex

buck only Nov. 14-Nov. 26 1 buck per day

Special Hog Still Gun Hunt: Little Pee Dee River Complex

March 1-18

hogs only sNo limit

no dogs, no buckshot

Special Area: Waccamaw River Heritage Preserve WMA Horry Co.

- Hunters may not take more than 2 deer total from Waccamaw River HP WMA.

- No buckshot or dogs allowed.

Archery: Waccamaw River HP WMA

either sex Oct. 10-22 1 deer per day

Archery & Muzzleloader: Waccamaw River HP WMA

either sex Oct. 24-29, 1 deer per day
Nov. 7-12

Gun Hunts: Waccamaw River HP WMA

buck only Nov. 14-26 1 buck per day

Small Game

- Small Game seasons on WMAs are the same as those listed below except dog running seasons for rabbit, raccoon, opossum and fox. No small game hunting on WMAs is allowed before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1. Additional small game season restrictions may apply to specific WMAs listed in this section.

Dove:

Sept. 3-5 (afternoons only) 12 per day

Sept. 6-Oct. 8, Nov. 19-26

Dec. 21-Jan. 15

Quail:

Nov. 24-Mar. 1 10 per day

Squirrel: Mar. 2-Sept. 30 dogs only (priv. land)

Oct. 1-Mar. 1 guns & dogs 10 per day

Rabbit:

Private and WMA Nov. 24, 2005-Mar. 1, 2006
guns & dogs 5 per day

Private land only Mar. 2, 2006-Nov. 22, 2006

Running season-dogs, no guns

WMA land Sept. 1-Sept. 30

Running season-dogs, no guns

Raccoon & Opossum:

Private land

Sept. 15-Mar. 15 guns & dogs No limit

WMA land

Sept. 15-Mar. 1 guns & dogs No limit

Private land only

Mar. 16-Sept. 14 Running season-dogs, no guns

WMA land

Sept. 1-Sept. 14 Running season-dogs, no guns

Fox:

Private land only